Review of bulk drugs' prices

382. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state;

(a) whether any review of bulk drugs' prices has been undertaken by Government recently particularly on the basis of suggestions invited from Members of Parliament during the Winter Session of the Parliament;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any final decision has been taken by Government for the formulation of New Drug Policy so far; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor indicating steps Government have taken to ensure regular supply of life-saving and essential drugs to common man on a reasonable price till to-date?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILISERS (SHRI EDUARDO FALERRO): (a) to (d) Review of prices of bulk drugs is a continuous process and this is undertaken on the basis of price review applications from manufacturer of bulk drugs, Cost-Cum-Technical Study conducted by BLCP etc. a background note on the review of drug policy 1986 has been laid on the Table of both Houses of Parliament on 12.8.1992 and a discussion on the same is expected to take place in the current session of Parliament.

Cost of N.O.P Complex Fertilizers

383. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state the cost of N.O.P complex fertilizers of different mix as well as Nitrogen which is imported from other countries?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRRO): The estimated total cost (C&F basis) of fertitizers imported on Government account during the current year i.e. 1992-93 (upto 31st January) and per tonne cost arc given below:

	Estimated total cost (Rs./crores)	Per tonne C&F cost (Rs.)
UREA	691.90	4135
MOP	659.85	3747
SOP	2.85	5700
DAP	718.39	4951
NPK (Complex Fertilizers)	70.74	5441
Total:	2143.73	

Supply of essential drugs at concessional prices

384. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the drug industry in the country have offered to provide essential drugs to public hospitals and health schemes at concessional prices as a quid pro quo for lifting price controls;

(b) whether Government have rejected the offer; and

(c) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILISERS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) One such proposal have been received.

(b) No Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

एलोपैथिक दवाइयों के मूल्यों में वृद्धि

385. श्री राम नरेश यादव: क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या सरकार को इस बात की जानकारी है कि पिछले तीन महीनों के दौरान एलोपैथी की दवाइयों के मूल्यों में अत्यधिक वृद्धि हुई है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उन वितरकों के नाम क्या हैं जिन्हें सरकार ने दवाइयों के मूल्यों में वृद्धि करने की अनुमति दी है;

(ग) क्या यह सच है कि उन्होंने सरकार की अनुमति के बिना कतिपय दवाइयों के मूल्यों में वृद्धि कर दी है; और